(b) if so, the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Due to operational and resources constraints.

Casual Workers of S&T Deptt. (N.R.)

6480. SHRI SHIVLAL.NAGJIBHAI VEKARIA:
SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL:
SHRI NARANBHAI JAMLABHAI RATAVA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether representations have been received for the regularisation of casual workers/labour engaged in the construction organisation of Signal and Telecom Department of Northern Railway; and

(b) if so, the action so far taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MNISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes,Sir.

(b) The representation substantially deals with demand of regularisation/absorption of casual labour in regular cadres on Indian Railways, following supreme Court's Judgment dated 18.4.1985 and give them temporary status and certain privileges as directed by Supreme Court on 2nd December, 1987. Instructions have since been issued to implement these Supreme Court's Judgments.

Extension of Gandhinagar-Ahmedabad Route to Baroda

6481.DR. K.D. JESWANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to extend Gandhinagar-Ahmedabad railway line up to Baroda;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN)

(a) Gandhinagar-Ahmedabad line extends to Baroda and beyond upto Bombay Central.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Doubling of Khurda Road-Puri Railway Line

6482. SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is any proposal for doubling the railway line between Khurda Road and Puri on South Eastern Railway in view of traffic congestion; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Badarpur Power Station Delhi

6483. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state: